



**EDUCATION TELECOMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL
NOTES**

September 13, 2006

AMENDED

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The September 13, 2006, emergency meeting of the Education Telecommunications Council was held at Iowa Public Television and via various ICN sites. The following members were present at the meeting: Al Bode, ISEA; Jim Bodensteiner, Regents; Paul Bowers, IAICU; Dean Cook, SAI; Greg Davis, IASB; Tim Dose, SAI; Glenn Grove, AEA Boards; Pat Thieben for Ellen Kabat Lensch, IACCT; David Montgomery, DE/CIANS; Kathryn O'Shaughnessy, ISEA; Terry Rinehart, IPTV; **Vicki Myron for Kay Runge, DE/Libraries**; Cordell Jeppsen for Chet Rzonca, Regents; Gail Sullivan, DE; Jean Torgeson, IACCT; and Mary Travillian, AEA Boards. Mary Gannon, IASB, was absent.

The following guests were also present at the meeting: Bruce McKee, RTC 2; Kathy Goebel and Scott Fosseen, RTC 5; Dawn Fratzke, RTC 7; Dennis Yoshimura, RTC 11; Pam Southworth, RTC 13 and Denise Norman, Region 13 Scheduler; Dennis LaMasters, RTC 14 and Doug Greene, Region 14 Scheduler; Linda Abel, RTC 15; Rebecca Hannum, RTC 16; and Dan Miller, Molly Phillips, Kathy Borlin, Gwen Nagel, and Deb Fiscus, IPTV.

A change in membership has occurred beginning with this meeting. Merv Cronbaugh has resigned his position as one of the IACCT representatives on the council and Jean Torgeson was appointed to fill the vacancy.

II. ISSUE

I. Recommended Funding Request for RTC Support for FY 2008

The original motion in June 2006 (Motion 4) was to request funding support in the amount of \$1,760,478 to restore funds lost due to a change in e-rate laws (\$270,000) and funds to cover the costs of training and professional development (\$250,000), which amounts to a 42% increase.

After a brief a discussion precipitated by Dan Miller, Executive Director of Iowa Public Television, it was decided and agreed upon by the members to request a 10% RTC funding increase for fy08 and the following motion was made:

Motion 1

Jim Bodensteiner moved that the ETC recommend that Iowa Public Television request a 10% increase (\$124,047) in the appropriation request to support RTC activities, resulting in a total request of \$1,364,525. This funding increase will assist the RTCs in supporting scheduling activities, which are no longer eligible for E-rate funding due to new federal guidelines. This motion supersedes the recommendation for appropriation request (motion #4) approved at the June 1, 2006, regular ETC meeting.

John Hartung seconded. **17—Ayes**, 0—Nays, 1—Absent, 0—Not voting. Motion passed unanimously.

III. ADJOURNMENT

The September 13, 2006, emergency meeting of the Education Telecommunications Council adjourned at 10:50 a.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held December 21, 2006, at Iowa Public Television.